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## KANSAS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Hicks chuckles with unseemly glee as he reads the weather reports from

A Topeka man is paying for being married on the installment plan. This

is a fact. Newton girls like to go skating because they get a chance to hold the

boy's hands. A Leavenworth girl declares that The bnys the old dresses of the house

to hold her job. The first thing a state printer in Xansas does after being elected is to

hire an attorney. The last cargo of cattle shipped by a Greedwood county firm to Liverpool sold at \$79 a head.

The weather man may have it in for \*he ice dealers, but evidently he is not trying to freeze them out.

Last week Professor Dyche has to postpone a lecture on the North Pole because of the cold weather.

A Kansas man has discovered that as a matter of fact the dogs of Egypt do not bark at the pyramids at all.

Joblot parties are so thick in Atchison just now that even the "breakfast" dates have been claimed until Lent.

The whereabouts of the Bender family is again being discussed. It is claimed that they are in Old Mexico.

During the recent cold weather in southern Kansas the plumbers have been socking it to the steam laundries.

An Atchison man's idea of a person who is well educated is one who can spell both ends of Bailie Waggoner's name.

There are as many fools in other states as in Kansas, but the trouble is that in Kansas we pay more attention to them.

The husbands of the women who set the social pace in Atchison have hired a cook and will live in a club until the afternoon craze is over.

A professor of two-step, who has established herself at Galena, has been of the public indebtedness will equal granted a permit by the mayor to spell | 3.57 per cent of true value. her first name "Jeanne." A bill has been introduced into the

Kansas legislature making the possession of a government license by a jointist prima facie evidence of guilt. A Cherryvale man is credited with

the intention to bring suit for divorce against his wife on the ground that she is ruining his health and unfitting him for business by her poor cooking.

An Abilene man has a moquette carpet in his house that generates electricity in a wonderful way. The other night a young man went to kiss one of the girls and was knocked through the front door by the charge.

It is our luck, during real cold weather, says an Atchison man, to hear from a friend in the south who is eating strawberries, and in very hot weather we always hear from a friend who is sitting by the fire in the mountains.

February 2nd is generally known as "ground hog day," and the condition of weather that exists on this anniversary is supposed by the superstitiously Inclined, to indicate the kind of weather that will prevail for the next six weeks. If the ground hog didn't see his shadow when he sauntered forth from his hole about noon it was not because the sun was hidden, for that luminary was shining bright at the prayer even when the person baptised hour mentioned.

There is a great grief in a certain Atchison family; a guest of the house has discovered that the oldest daughter has a voice, and the mother and children are looking reproachfully at East wild with her marvelous voice. the father because he doesn't send her to Italy to have it cultivated. The girl, moreover, was engaged to a hardworkit off since told that she has a voice, for what has a future Patti or Melba to do with the making of pumps and car wheels? Of course the girl hasn't by Sig. Bovini, entitled "Cosboss, Coo- happy. When do the people get their enough voice to fool with.

Skating in Kansas is so rare that when ice does come a number of old fashioned wooden skates with runners that curl up over the top make their appearance from the attics.

The Newton Kansan says: "It is said that a Newton man has twelve dogs and that he hides them all in the cellar when the assessor call upon him. A pensus is taken of the dogs of a county | pied by an engaged couple. It was an just as it is of the people, so when the number is announced this year, just didn't save him from cold stares of add twelve to the total number in order to make it correct.

The average Kansas girl never knows how thin the soles on her shoes are un- proposition to establish a live stock extil she tries to clamp club skates on

The Newton girls who will take part in the amateur opera are worrying fessional. about how many inches they can take off the bottom of their skirts and not make "talk."

The fudiciary committee of the senate has favorably reported the bill nicer at this season of the year. which makes it necessary for county before election.

Garden City has a Mae who is not above typesetting.

When Miss Yaw meets a final and real death she should have a monument reading: "Greatness is made by advertising, not born.'

A Fort Scott man is having his stomach investigated by the X rays. The stomach troubles him and he wants to find out where the flaw is.

At Winfield the mayor has appointed policeman to keep order at the salvation army meetings, the army paying the salary of the officer.

A Salina woman wants the Americans to organize a society in which site. each member will pledge himself to buy only American made goods.

During the last twenty-five years the city of Topeka has paid out over thirteen thousand dollars in insurance premiums on the city school buildings.

Topeka has taken another start in its boom for a big convention hall. The man who first started this boom died in 1868, and his son is now one of

Vick's Annual is now being distributed. In an early day the prettiest thing that reached Kansas was the annual and the children used to fight for

While the recent cold snap has been raging in Kansas the railroads in the state have been entirely free from of a pie social. bums. Bums will not face cold weather from any truck.

The fact that cows are increasing in | title to half the town. western Kansas and that millions of tons of ice are being put up now suggests that ice cream will be dirt cheap out there next summer.

A banker at Topeka has prepared at the request of eastern parties, a statement of the public indebtedness of Kansas, meaning the indebtedness of the state, counties, cities, townships and school districts. The statement shows an aggregate indebtedness on June 30, 1896, of \$34,552,039. The taxable property of Kansas as fixed by the state board of equalization for the year ending June 30, 1896, is \$521,216,938. Kansas property is assessed at from 25 to 33 per cent of its real value. Accepting the assessment of 1896 as true value, the public indebtedness of Kansas is 10 7-10 per cent of its taxable property. On a basis of the assessment being % of its true value, the per cent

The Dunkards, or Tunkers, of whom the governor of Kansas is a representive, says the Kansas City Star, belong to a sect founded in 1708 at Schwarz enaû, Germany, by Alexander Mack and seven others who rejected the doctrines of paedo-baptism. The name is a nickname, derived from the German and between 1719 and 1729 they all emigrated thence to America. They ty-five states, however, have helped to are found in Pennsylvania, Maryland-Virginia, Ohio and Indiana, and it is she is not much behind Virginia, New apparent that some have found their York, Massuchusetts, or any other of way further West, but their numbers the original thirteen. Much of the all told are not great. Their church history, too, has been highly creditadiscipline is nearly the same as that of other Baptists, except that every brother is allowed to exhort. Men found apt to teach are ordained ministers, and the eldest teachers bishops. The Dunkards affect great plainness of speech and dress, like the Quakers. Neither take oaths, fight nor go to law, and formerly they took no interest. They celebrate the taking of the sacrament with love feasts, washing of feet, the kiss of charity and the right hand of fellowship, anoint the sick with oil for recovery, and practice complete immersion, with laying on hands and is in the water.

The people of Haskell county are considering a plan to reduce the num-

ber of townships in the county. Another Kansas girl is setting the Her name is Miss Boyd. A Kansas newspaper writer says she is the same Kittie Boyd who lived up the creek who achieved that splendid voice by

A story is told on a Kansas girl that her mother recently put a jug of boiling water at the foot of the girl's bed night the girl's feet got so cold they

An Emporia man six feet in height, recently stumbled into a room occucontempt that reduced him to three feet in height before he got out.

Garden City has added to its boom a

A Topeka detective was arrested for burglary. This is considered unpro-

The Anthony State bank has succeeded to the business of the Harper County bank.

Kansas wheat fields never looked

There is talk in the legislature of attorneys to be lawyers a certain time lowering the age of consent from 18 to 14 years.

Chanute joints are called "dynamite KANSAS LEGISLATURE shops.

Topeka has a school for the training of barbers.

"Hoochie coochie" goes to entertainment in Oberlin.

The district conferences have begun and the smart pullet is hiding out.

The Leavenworth district court has record of a divorce in two minutes.

Kansas was visited by a four inch snow during the first week in Febru-

ed to rebuild the old dam by the mill There is either a mountain lion or a

The Halstead city council has decid

monumental liar prowling around El-The newspaper war at Newton makes

potatoes. The change in political control did not affect the game at Topeka. It is still poker.

The Missouri Pacific is said to be planning to extend from Kanopolis to

The resignation of the city librarian at Ottawa is agitating the public mind of that town.

An Argonia justice has just fined four boys there for disturbing the peace

El Dorado people are "chipping in" to fight the suit brought against the

The Hotel Ryan which burned at Pratt recently, was built at Saratoga and afterwards moved to Pratt in sections.

Professor Franklin of the state university has joined the travelers. He will go to Costa Rica to look into some

Emporia has organized a "Business Men's Association" and any creameries or factories wanting locations will be given a chance.

Ellen Beach Yaw did not take well in Emporia where there are about forty soprano soloists who think they can beat her singing.

The State Journal says there are fifty joints in Tepeka, which isn't very many considering the way politics drive men to drink.

There are 195 miles of abandoned railroad in Kansas. There are also several other miles that the owners would gladly abandon were they not in the same condition as was the man who had the bear by the tail.

Kansas was thirty-six years old January 29th. Thirty-three states were in the Union before Kansas was adshe was let in. Hardly any of the formake more history. In this respect

A lady, a smart, intelligent, educated woman, too, and old enough to know a thing or two-went into a drug store a few evenings ago in a certain Kansas town. She had about a dozen empty quinine capsules and with an innocence, not to say ignorance, that staggered the druggist, asked him to the Peabody silk station and abolishing the Peabody silk station and abolishing the empty quinine capsules and with an fill them up with quinine for her. The obliging druggist did as directed, and abolish the Thirty-third judicial district obliging druggist did as directed, and and to provide for its attachments to other putting the refilled capsules in a box, districts; a bill relating to the method of wrote directions on the lid: "Swallow capsules and all." It is now feared the adverse report of the temperance commit-woman misunderstood the direction and tee on Mr. Seaton's resolution to resubmit tried to swallow the box without re-

A western Kansas paper says: The unstableness of the things of the earth | weight of a bushel of Ka@r corn at fifty-six earthly is well illustrated in the man-

A prominent Kansas paper says that in summer we are told to suffer the ing young mechanic, but has broken near where Jake Potter now farms and heat patiently because it makes corn grow and suits the farmers. In winter filling the prairie dog valley with the we are to bear patiently the zero music of that marvelous opera written weather because it makes the ice men rights?

papers often get into discussions. The to keep her feet warm, and that in the discussions in Dickinson county was mittees from Texas and Oklahoma about the over what animal Nebucadnezzar was night the girl's feet got so cold they over what animal Nebucadnezzar was Governor Leedy in his message. Senator froze the water solid, and bursted the changed into. Some said an ass, others Forney introduced a joint resolution for a an eagle and others an ox.

What the legislature ought to do is pass a law that any paper that uses more than eight columns a week fightaccident, and he apologized, but that ing for the county printing shall be considered ineligible to receive it. Kansas people must get awfully tired reading the county printing wrangles.

> Governor Morrill delivered a lecture in an Atchison church recently.

Charles Moreau Harger says boldly that most of the poetry written in Kan sas is rot and doggerel.

The irrigation ditch at Garden City froze up last week.

Topeka has an attendance of 5,932 pupils at the public schools, 501 of which attend the high school.

Knute Ury has compromised on his consolidation scheme by introducing a by a vote of 13 to 13. fire insurance bill in the legislature.

Feb. 5.—The House committee on fees and salaries introduced a bill regulating the salaries introduced a bill regulating the compensation of county officers. The measure places salaries on a population basis. It provides the salary of county treasurers shall be paid \$700 per annum for county having a population less than 2,000; less than 5,000 and more than 3,000, \$800; tess than 5,000 to be \$1,000. more than 5,000 to be \$1,000, and an increase of \$200 for each additional population, the maximum to be \$2,500 with clerk hire. Salaries of county clerks are to be same as treasurers in counties under 5,000, with increase for each 5,000 above 5,000. The maximum salary for superintendents of public instruction is to be \$1,000, and the minimum \$3 a day for time actually em-ployed, not to exceed 150 days per year. The salaries of county attorneys are limited to a maximum of \$1,500, with fees of 5 per cent of all moneys collected. Clerks of district courts are to receive fees which are not to exceed \$1,000 in the counties with a propulation between 15,000 and 20,000, with an increase of \$200 for each additional 5,000 to a maximum of \$2,200. The salaries of sheriffs are to be on a fee basis, the maximum in the largest counties to be \$2,800. The the Cuban affair seem like very small salaries of probate judges are limited to a maximum of \$2,400. Registers of deeds in counties with a population of be-tween 15,000 and 20,000 are to have \$1,000 per year, which is increased \$200 for each additional 5,000 population. A fee book, open at all times to the inspection of the public, is also provided for, and many changes are made in the duties of officers. The Senate passed the judiciary commit

tee bill providing for the punishment of persons who shall conceal, injure, destroy, sell or dispose of chattel mortgaged prop-erty; Caldwell's bill to prevent the discrimination of corporations or individuals against members of labor organizations; Harris' bill to establish trial by jury in cases of contempt of court, and restricting the powers of judges and courts in con tempt proceedings, and four unimportant

Feb. 4.-Mr. Keefer of Leavenworth introduced in the house a bill to fix the rate of interest on any loan secured by power or pledge at not to exceed 2% per cent a month and on any chattel mortgage at 10 per cent per annum. The penalty provided is \$100 fine or imprisonment and a forfeiture of five times the amount of the loan to the borrower. Mr. Larimer of Shawnee presented petition signed by 12,258 men and women of Kansas, praying the legislature not to resubmit the prohibitory amendment. Most of the day was devoted to work by the various committees considering bills referred to them.

In the Senate Helm of Ellsworth introduced a bill to provide for the appointment in each county of a public defender. This official's duties are to defend all parties charged with criminal offenses who are unable to procure counsel at their expense. The Senate committee of the whole reported for passage Senator Farrelly's bill against trainwrecking. The bill fixes a penalty for trainwreckers of from five to ten years in the penitentiary, and where a life is lost by reason of said wreck the penalty, upon conviction, shall be capital punishment. A large number of bills were re-ported unfavorably from committees.

Feb. 3.-After a sharp debate the House invited W. J. Bryan to address the Legis-lature when it should be convenient for him to do so. The House concurred in the Senate resolution calling for a conference of representatives from Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, to discuss the feasibility of constructing the North and South railroad. Senate bill reducing fees for county printing was defeated.

In the Senate Farrelly's bill providing for the death penalty was defeated, 16 to 11. The Senate non-concurred in the House resolution urging the governor not to ap-point a coal oil inspector and forest commissioner until the legislature has acted on the bills to abolish those places. Senate ways and means committee introduced a mitted, and eleven came in since her bill authorizing the state treasurer to take entrance. In a certain sense she is up \$200,000 of the bonded indebtedness of Tunker-to dip; members of the sect among the new states, for the governate passed bills reducing the salaries of the styling themselves brethren. Persecution drove the founders to Holland, ly three-quarters of a century old when large and Barton counties.

As a committee of the whole it recommended for passage the anti-blocklistics.

Feb 2-The House passed bills to appropriate \$10,000 to meet a deficiency in the current expenses of the Kansas Agricultural college; to appropriate \$14,000 for the current expenses for the Agricultural college for the fiscal years of 1898 and 1899; making fifty-eight pounds of red and fiftytwo pounds of Kamr corn a bushei; to appropriate money for the current expense of the Osawatomie asylum, and to appropriate \$9,270 to make improvements at the Ag-

ricultural college.

The Senate passed the following oills: The Householder act, relating to charitable in-stitutions; the anti-dockage bill; an act requiring commissioners of counties having over 25,000 inhabitants to meet and pay all claims the first Tuesday of each month; an board of silk commissioners; the bill to settlement of an estate.

Feb. 1.—The House refused to adopt the the prohibition question, and ordered that the resolution be placed upon the calendar under the head of general orders. Tue House committee of the whole reported favorably on Mr. Botkin's bitl e4tablishing the pounds. The Senate resolution, instructing Kansas members of Congress to vote against ner in which our delightful dago climate vanished when the blizzard
struck us.

A prominent Kansas paper says that Hamilton. It provides that railroads shall pay \$2.50 for each American sheep; \$1.50 for Mexican sheep; Texas cattle, \$10 for yearings, \$14 for 2-year-olds, \$22 for 3year-olds, \$15 for cows; American cattle, \$12 for yearlings, \$17 for 2-year-olds, \$25 for 3-year-olds, \$30 for 4-year-olds, \$20 for cows and \$7.50 for calves. The Senate adopted a resolution request-

ing the Kausas members of Congress to work for the passage of a new income tax Up in Dickinson county as in other court. The Senate passed the concurrent resolution offered by the committee on state affairs providing for the appointment of a committee to confer with similar com-"North and South" railroad proposed by onstitutional convention

> An Iowa National Bank Closed. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- The comptroller of the currency has received a telegram from Griswold, Ia., announcing the failure of the First National

> bank of that place. Its capital stock is

\$50,000.

Returned After Years WARRENSBURG, Mo., Feb. .-Lee Williams, who disappeared from Warrensburg ten years ago and was thought to be dead, surprised everybody by returning to-day. He had een in Europe and the Isle of Man luring his absence.

No Five Years' Protection for Quail. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 3.-In the senate this morning Miller's bill to nake it a misdemeanor punishable by s fine of from \$5 to \$10 to hunt quail n the state for five years was defrited

WHAT A LIE.

An Editor Says That It Takes Money to Run a Newspaper. From the Covington (Ohio) Gazette:

"It takes money to run a newspaper."

-St. John (Kaa.) News. What an aggregation; what a whopper. It has been disproved a thousand times; it is a clean case of airy fancy. It doesn't take money to run a newspaper; it can run without money. It is a charitable institution, a begging concern, a highway robber. B'Godfrey the newspaper is the child of the air, a creature of a dream. It can go on and on and on, when any other concern would be in the hands of a receiver and wound up with cobwebs in the window. It takes wind to run a newspaper; it takes gall to run a newspaper. It takes a scintillating, acrobatic imagination, and a half dozen white shirts, and a railroad pass to run a newspaper. But money-Heavens to Betsy and six hands round, who ever needed money in conducting a newspaper! Kind words are the medlum of exchange that do the business for the editor-kind words and church social tickets. When you see an ed-Itor with money, watch him. He'll be paying bills and disgracing his profession. Never give money to an editor. Make him trade it out. He likes to swap. Then when you die, after having stood around for years and sneered at the editor and his little jim crow paper, be sure and have your wife send in for three extra copies by one of your weeping children, and when she reads the generous and touching notice about you, forewarn her to neglect to send fifteen cents to the editor. It would overwhelm him. Money is a corrupting thing. The editor knows it and what he wants is your heartfelt thanks. Then he can thank the printers and they can thank their grocers. Take your job work to the job office and then come and ask for half rates for church notices. Get your lodge letter heads and stationery printed out of town, and then flood the editor with beautiful thoughts in resolutions of respect and cards of thanks. They make such splcy reading, and when you pick it up filled with those glowing and vivid mortuary articles, you are so proud of your little paper! But money-scorn the filthy thing. Den't let the pure, innocent editor know anything about it. Keep that for sordid tradespeople who charge for their wares. The editor gives his bounty away. The Lord loves a cheerful giver. He'll take care of all the editors. Don't worry about the editor. He has a charter from the state to act as a doormat for the community, He'll get the paper out somehow; and stand up for you when you run for office, and lie about your pigeon-toed daughter's tackey wedding, and blow about your big-footed sons when they get a \$4 per week job, and weep over your shriveled soul when it is released from your grasping body, and smile at your giddy wife's second marriage. He'll get along. The Lord alone knows how-but the

ditor will get there somehow. Solomon wished to be comforted rith apples, and before and since his time the apple has been a mainstay of people. The Romans brought the apple from the east.

Grand Rapids has a large factory for the making of wooden shoes. More wooden shoes are sold in the state of New Jersey, Iowa and Indiana than in any other state.

India grew the first lemons, which were unknown to the ancient Greeks and Romans. Lemons were introduced to Spain by the Moors near the Thir teenth century.

The anabas scandens, or climbing perch, is a Brazillian fish that will cross great stretches of dry land or slimb any tree that comes in its way.

When they have supplied their wives and daughters with the proper apparel most men feel that they should be exempt from further social duties.

If all the locomotives and passenger and freight cars in the United States were made up into one train it would have a length of over 7000 miles.

Queen Victoria now rules 367,000,000 people, a greater number than ever be fore acknowledged the sovereignty of either king, queen or emperor. Sarah Bernhardt will act again in

London next summer, beginning a

month's engagement at the Garrick theater in June. The lady manager of a California in, surance company is credited with the largest salary paid to any woman-

\$10,000 a year. As late as the year 1545 the people of France entered complaints against caterpillars and had lawsuits to stop their

devastations. During the coming concert tour of Albani in this country, scenes from "Faust" and other operas will be sung

in costume. The famous dragon tree which formerly stood on the Canary islands was estimated by Humboldt to be 6,000

years old. Dean Farrar, of Canterbury, has imposed a fee of three pence on all persons who visit the tomb of St. Thomas a Becket.

An illuminated trolley car is now run nightly from Paterson and Ruth, erford direct to the Lyric theater, Ho-

New York spends \$6,000,000 a year for amusements.

Washington has an arid land com

Millions of Cook Books Given Away There is one large house in this country that has taken business on its turn and means to ride in on the rising tide. Alive to the signs of better times and to the interests of the people, they are now circulating among families a valuable publication known as THE. CHARLES A. VOGELER COMPANY'S COOK-ERY BOOK AND BOOK OF COMFORT AND-HEALTH, which contains very choiceinformation on the subject of cooking. Receipts for the preparation of good, substantial and dainty dishes, prepared especially for it by a leading authority, will be found in its pages. Much care has been taken in its preparation and distribution, with the hope that it will be just the thing needed for housekeepers, and just the thing needed alsofor the care of the health and household. As a Cookery Book it will be in-

valuable to keep on hand for reference. It also contains full information in regard to the great remedies of this house, which provide against bodily ailments, especially the Master Cure for Pains and Aches, St. Jacobs Oil. To give some idea of the labor and

expense of this output, more than 200tons of paper have been used in its publication, and at the rate of 100,000 day; it has taken several months for the issue.

The book can be had of druggists everywhere, or by enclosing a 2c. stamp to The Charles A. Vogeler Company, Baltimore, Md.

Venerable antiquity haugs about the banana, and by some it is believed to be the fruit which tempted Eve, while others think that the great cluster of grapes brought by Jewish spies from the valley of Eschol, so heavy that twomen were required to carry each, were in reality bananas. Chittagong, Philippine Islands, Siam and Ceylon were the original homes of this fruit.

The two most expensive perfumes are the essential oil of rose petals, called atter of roses, and the oil of jasmine-The former when quite pure costs very nearly \$50 per ounce, and the latter

The trolley wires in the streets of Chemnitz, Saxony, are not suspended from poles. They are attached to hooks fixed in the houses that line the streets through which the cars pass.

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Mexican women are never employed as bookeepers, cashiers, stenographers, typewriters, or saleswomen, or in any other branches of industry wherein woman can earn her own living.

During his entire career Stradivarius made from 600 to 700 violins. Few of these were sold higher than \$25 during his life. Now some of them command.

Dr. Seemann says that to touch the leaves or stems of the itch-wood tree-"is like letting the hand come in contact with a red-hot poker." It grows-

in Fiji. tic, the finest liver and bowel regulator made. 'Frisco is to have garbage cremator-

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